## South Dakota Public Utilities Commission WEEKLY FILINGS For the Period of July 26, 2007 through August 1, 2007

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## **ELECTRIC**

EL07-023 In the Matter of the Filing by Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of Tariff Revisions.

On August 1, 2007, Otter Tail Power Company filed for approval to revise its tariffed Summary of Contracts with Deviations. The existing contracts with the Cities of Summit, Grenville, Corona, Strandburg, Ortley, Stockholm and Twin Brooks expired on June 1, 2007. Otter Tail states the new agreements do not contain any deviations from Otter Tail's currently filed tariff and therefore requests that references to the contracts with the Cities listed be removed from the Summary of Contracts with Deviations.

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Intervention Deadline: 08/17/07

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

TC07-086 In the Matter of the Filing by Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC for a Waiver of ARSD 20:10:32:56.

On July 27, 2007, Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC (Citizens) filed a waiver of the Commission's ETC filing requirements pursuant to ARSD section 20:10:32:56, on the ground that the reporting requirements in support of ETC certification are unduly burdensome and unnecessary. Citizens's study area consists primarily of a geographic area contained within the state of Minnesota. Citizens's service area in South Dakota consists of the West Jasper exchange. West Jasper is the rural portion of an exchange where the larger portion of the exchange and the central office is located in Minnesota. Citizens has no wire centers in South Dakota. For companies such as Citizens which have a very small portion of their overall study area in South Dakota, the requirement of certifying the use of universal service fund monies in accordance with the requirements of ARSD sections 20:10:32:52 -20:10:32:54 is unduly burdensome and unnecessary for the Commission to certify that Citizens is using federal high cost support for its intended purposes. Because its study area is largely contained within the state of Minnesota and because it will comply with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission requirements for ETC certification, Citizens requests that it be allowed to file a copy of its Minnesota ETC certification with the SDPUC; and that the SDPUC accept such filings as sufficient to make the determination as to include Citizens on the list of certified carriers it provides to the FCC and the USAC on or before October 1 of each year.

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